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HUNGARIAN OLYMPIANS MAY PLAY FIVE GAMES IN AUSTRALIA

By PAUL DEAN

The Hungarian Olympic team, one of the favorites to win the gold medal at the Tokyo Olympics (October 10-24) may play five matches in Australia instead of the originally planned three.

Budapest president L. Bordacs said this week the dates of the Australian matches depended on the results of the team in Tokyo.

Showground venue

"If they reach the final stages of the tourney, they can come only after the Olympics, at the end of October.

"However, if they get eliminated, they may be here sooner."

Accordingly, at this stage it is impossible to draw up more than a very tentative and flexible schedule for the Hungarians in Australia.

Of the five matches two would be staged at the Sydney Showground, two in Melbourne and the last possibly in Adelaide.

The entire tour is being arranged and sponsored by Budapest-St.George.

For the Melbourne matches the Hungarians would be "lent" to Melbourne HSC and for their Adelaide appearance to Budapest-Adelaide.

Les Bordacs said a special committee would soon be appointed within his club to look after all tour details.

At this stage it is not yet known which teams will face the Hungarians in Sydney.

"We have several ideas but a decision on this will be made only later", he said.

"We'd like to field our own team against the Hungarians in one of the two matches and would possiby reinforce the side with some reserves we'd borrow from the Hungarians.

"In the other match it could be a Sydney team or just a combined Sydney eleven made up of Budapest players and some invited guests."

Czech mates

Les Bordacs said it was also possible that the Hungarians would meet the visiting Czechoslovakian Olympic team if their Australian stays coincided.

"We will discuss this possibility with officials of Prague, who sponsor their visit", he said.

SOCCER WORLD feels Budapest could do worse than field, in one of the two Sydney matches, a composite Argentinian side against the Hungarian Olympians.

Argentine players now shine in several teams and their brand of soccer would show up particularly well against the ball-playing Hungarians.

A powerful and colorful team could be selected from the available Argentinians: Mazzina, Collazo, Puig, Murua, Ledezma, Isaac, Bischoff, Badaracco, Rodriguez, Heredia, Fernandez, Rinos, Massey and Gauto.

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(From Janos Zentai of NEPSPORT)

Budapest, Tuesday. — The Olympic team that goes to Tokyo at the end of September represents Hungary's main hopes for the 1966 World Cup.

It's much more than an ordinary 'B' team and many Budapest experts claim it represents the same strength as Hungary's present full international side.

Almost certain to be included in the team are goalie Gelei, fullbacks Novak and Ihasz, halves Palotai and Nagy and forwards Farkas, Bene, Komora and Dunai.

All of them have already appeared for the full Hungarian side in internationals.

Team manager Lajos Baroti is tipped to rebuild his full international team on these youngsters straight after the Tokyo Olympics.

Novak, Nagy, Ihasz, Bene and Komora are likely to replace such world famous stars as Matrai, Sipos, Sarosi, Gorocs and Tichy.

Two leading officials of the Hungarian FA (MLSz) president Gyula Hegyi and secretary-general Gyorgy Honti will also accompany the team to Tokyo and then to Australia.

Tristram soars

These incidents at last Saturday's Prague v. Cumberland (1-0) were captured by staff photographer V. Stojanovic. TOP — Brian Tristram wins this aerial duel from Matt Collins. — BOTTOM — Grenville Jones' version of the "can-can" utterly bewilders friend and foe alike.

Nat. League backed by top Vic. clubs

The proposed national league has received a cool reception by many Melbourne clubs.

But to imply that it had been given the "cold shoulder" would hardly be true as more than a few clubs, and especially a couple with the drawing power, have indicated unofficially that they would solidly back the proposals and join the new set-up—if invited.

Until much more details are made known to the State League clubs in Victoria, no official reaction can be quoted.

But in the light of unofficial statements made by several members of management and also players, favorable and unfavorable reaction has emerged as follows—

IN FAVOR: Several officials I have contacted adopt the line that nothing but good can result from the proposals.

But they feel that several "shotgun weddings" may be necessary to make the national league effective and attractive.

That the identity of clubs may disappear doesn't seem to worry officials who are not concerned with their own ego and social climbing but are determined for big-time soccer to succeed in Australia.

AGAINST: A few officials feel that both they and their clubs would be washed up if the proposals go through.

Those officials also feel that it would be suicide at the moment to form a national league and state that no player in his right senses, who at present is earning from £20 to £25 a week (as many are) from their employment plus their soccer wages would give all this up for less than their working wage to become a full time professional.

—Bob Low

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EDITORIAL

Villains of the piece?

The latest mania in Australian soccer is to blame the referees for everything including the original sin.

In Melbourne some officials have made extraordinary statements, more or less warning the referees that they and they alone will be responsible for any disturbance at matches.

This is nothing else but a thinly veiled threat: make sure the team with the bigger following wins or face the grim consequences.

In Sydney some clubs are reported to have taken the extreme action of trying to oust some referees from the game.

It is quite amazing how some people can find fault in everything and everybody but their own team after a sudden defeat.

Recently several have lodged complaints and protests, some quite childish ones, to the Federation claiming that the referee "robbed them" of the points.

However, protesting is one thing and conspiring to force the referees to an early retirement or to shift all the blame on their shoulders is another.

Within reason all clubs are allowed to criticise referees and their standards — this newspaper has done it and will do it again in the future.

But it will be a sorry day for Australian soccer when a few club officials will have the power to decide who should and should not referee matches.

Let's hope the Referees' Association and the Federation will fully investigate the matters which have given great concern to all soccer followers.

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AROUND THE GLOBE

Italian clubs bankrupt, face top level inquiry

The tense rat-race commonly known as Italian league soccer is not only Europe's most publicised but also costliest sporting show.

Mere survival in the first division is not enough: constant successes —and large gate takings— are needed to keep some of the glamor clubs solvent.

Inter-Milan invested a fortune in their team and the gamble came off: by winning the European Cup Inter's match fee for friendly internationals shot up to £15,000.

Manager Helenio Herrera was richly rewarded: his already mammoth salary was doubled to a reported £30,000 a year.

But what of the losers in Italy's murderous "calcio"?

AC Milan, last year's winners of the European Cup, finished "only" third in the league this season —and are bankrupt.

Their debt totals some £750,000—just short of AS Roma's record deficit of £1,000,000.

AC Milan president Felice Riva recently declared that he cannot be held responsible for the debt incurred before his election.

So far 11 members out of the 15-strong committee have resigned rather than face the gigantic task of straightening the club's affairs.

Finally the Itaian Association (FIGC) had to take drastic steps: it appointed one of its vice presidents, Dr. Artemio Franchi to fully investigate the financial positions of all clubs.

And seeing the unhealthy condition of many clubs it is a pity that Dr. Franchi is a lawyer, not a physician.

ARGENTINA

Senor Raul Colombo, the president of the Argentine FA is convinced that his country will stage the 1970 World Cup.

He bases his optimism on certain personal remarks made by Sir Stanley Rous but especially on the keen interest shown in Argentina by many European countries.

No less than eight national sides will visit Argentina in 1964-65 and next year Argentina will tour 11 European countries in a bid to secure votes at the next FIFA meeting.

OLYMPICS

North and South Korea have both won their return qualifying matches for the Tokyo Olympics.

They have thus won the previously vacant 15th and 16th spots on the Olympic tourney.

The draw will be made in a few weeks time.

ENGLAND

The English League is planning a soccer extravaganza to celebrate Stanley Matthews' 50th birthday next April.

They want to stage a match between Stoke City and a top European club, preferably Real Madrid or Inter Milan, with some of the world's top players in the Stoke line-up.

Brazil has already given permission to Pele and Garrincha to play in the jubilee match and other football associations are also expected to lend top players.

W. GERMANY

It seems unlikely that Werner Kramer will go to Fiorentina after all.

His club, Meiderich, are asking for £100,000 which the Italians claim is too much for an untried 21-year-old.

The West German Federation is also intent on blocking the transfer as it claims that Kramer will be the cornerstone of their World Cup team and is loathe to lose him like Haller, Szymaniak and Brulls.

FAIR CITIES CUP

This is the first round draw of the 1964-1965 European Fair Cities' Cup:

Eintracht Frankfurt v. Kilmarnock; Lyn Oslo v. Everton; Borussia Dortmund v. Bordeaux; Manchester United v. Djurgaarden; Barcelona v. Fiorentina; Leixoes v. Celtic Glasgow; FC Basel v. Union Luxembourg; RC Strasbourg v. Milan AC; Ferencvaros v. Spartak Prague; Austria Wien v. Chemie Leipzig; Belenenses v. Shelbourne; Atletico Madrid v. Servette Geneva; Goztepe Izmir v. Ploesti; Vojvodina v. Plovdiv; Copenhagen v. Utrecht; Valencia v. FC Liege; Dunfermline v. Orgryte Goteborg; Stuttgart v. Odense; Atletico Bilbao v. OFK Belgrade; Hertha Berlin v. Antwerpse; Betis Sevilla v. Stade Francais; Union Saint Gilloise v. Juventus Turin; Aris Saloniki v. AS Roma; Dinamo Zagreb v. Grazer AK.

All first round matches must be played between September 1 and October 15.

Holders of the Cup are Zaragoza who beat Valencia in an all-Spanish final this year.

SPAIN

Real Madrid fans are convinced that 27-year-old Emilio Morollon will more than adequately replace Alfredo Di Stefano.

Morollon, the centre-forward from demoted Valladolid, will step into Di Stefano's shoes in the Real attack.

Many clubs were after the speedy, highscoring Andalusian but Real Madrid clinched his signature with a £100,000 bid, plus another two players in exchange.

The "new look" Real forward-line next season will be: Amancio, Ruiz, Morollon, Puskas, Gento.

Briefly put . . .

Anderlecht and Bologna will meet in Brussels on September 9 and in Bologna on October 7 for their first round European Cup matches ... *the initials of Dutch champions DWS, the Amsterdam club, stand for "Durch Willensgraft Stark" (resolution through strength)* ... Fiorentina have transferred Peruvian international Seminario to Barcelona for £60,000 ... *six Italian clubs are after Cinesinho, Catania's Brazilian left winger* ... an Italian newspaper has awarded Helmut Haller, the Bologna inside-forward, a gold soccer ball as Italy's most useful player last season ... *the USSR's left winger Khussainov is also one of the Soviet Union's leading chess players* ... Mario Corso, Inter Milan's left winger, has just published a book called "Mario Corso teaches you soccer in 23 lessons" ... *Dutch Internationals Nuninga and Klaasens have transferred from Groningen and Feyenoord respectively to Ajax and Venlo* ... Dukla Prague will play three matches in West Germany against Hamburger SV, Mannheim and Kassel ... *Bui, Spal Ferrara's centre-forward will play at Bologna next season* ... Hamrin and Skoglund received permission from their Italian clubs to participate in Sweden's two-week "camp" in August to prepare for the World Cup match against Germany ... *Max Ehrardt, who won the 1954 World Cup with West Germany has accepted to coach Bayern Munchen* ... Ajax Amsterdam have signed English coach Vicky Buckingham at £5,000 a year ... *Ferruccio Mazzola, Sandrino's brother, may play for Inter, alongside his brother, next season* ... St. Etienne, the French champions, Real Madrid, Boca Juniors and the team from the Royal Moroccan Airforce will take part in the annual Casablanca tournament on August 22-23.

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NEW YORK TOURNAMENT: A.E.K. Athens v. Schwechat (Austria) 0-0; Zaglebie (Poland) v. Schwechat 2-2.

ARGENTINA (10th round): River Plate v. Independiente 2-1; Newells Old Boys v. Gimnasia 0-0; Oeste v. Boca Juniors 0-1; Huracan v. Chacarita 4-1; Argentinos v. Atlanta 2-2; Banfield v. San Lorenzo 0-0; Estudiantes v. Velez 2-3; Racing v. Rosario 0-0. **Comp. leaders:** River Plate, Boca Juniors 15; Velez 13, Atlanta 12; Independiente, Banfield, San Lorenzo 11; Oeste, Argentinos, Rosario 10.

NORWAY: Frederikstad v. Brann 4-0; Lyn v. Sandejford 1-1; Viking v. Sarpsborg 1-6.

RUSSIA (13th round): Volga v. Army Rostov 0-4; Neftianik v. Dinamo Tbilisi 0-1; Chinik v. Torpedo Moscow 1-4; Spartak Moscow v. Dinamo Moscow 1-0; Zenith Leningrad v. Army Moscow 0-2; Dinamo Minsk v. Kairat 1-0; Dinamo Kiev v. Moldova 4-1. **Comp. leaders:** Chakhter 17; Spartak Moscow, Dinamo Kiev 16; Army Rostov, Torpedo Moscow, Dinamo Tbilisi 15; Army Moscow, Volga 13.

HUNGARY (15th round): Vasas v. Ujpest 0-0; Tatabanya v. Honved 2-1; Ferencvaros v. Csepel 3-1; Debrecen v. Gyor 2-2; Komlo v. Pecs 0-0; Dorog v. MTK 2-0. **Comp. leaders:** Ferencvaros 27; Honved, Tatabanya 21; Ujpest 20; MTK 18; Gyor 17; Vasas 15; Dorog 14.

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WHO COMES ? . . . WHO GOES ? . . . WHAT GOES ? . . .

SYDNEY CLUB PATROL

The 18 rounds of the NSW first division competition have been watched by 345,000 spectators. As 90,000 people are expected to attend the last four rounds the total 1964 premiership attendance for the 22 weeks will be around the 435,000 mark — a drop of 20,000 on last season's all-time record competition attendance of 455,000 spectators.

Conducted by EINAR PERSEN

VIC Fernandez, the colorful Budapest inside left lives in a flatette—with his dog. The tiny dog, "Puglia", that is Flea in English, accompanies Vic to every training session, madly chases the ball among the players. They say his condition has improved in recent weeks . . .

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SOUTH Coast United secretary Trevor Birch yesterday denied last week's SOCCER WORLD report that South Coast would play at Wollongong Showground if the club was admitted to the proposed National League. Birch said that Woonona Oval, where 9,500 people saw last week's match against APIA, was the hub of soccer in the Wolongong area and would remain so. Extensions were planned for Woonona Oval very soon, Birch said.

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PRAGUE and Pan Hellenic will play their first round deferred matches in second and third grades at Lambert Park on Saturday. Then on Sunday the teams will clash again at Wentworth Park in their scheduled round 19 tie.

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SUTHERLAND claim that their 18-year-old winger Gordon Shrubsole is a certainty to play in the NSW under-19 team at the Australian carnival in Adelaide in October. Shrubsole, despite his youth, played his 100th first grade match for Sutherland last weekend.

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BUDAPEST 'keeper Nick Sokoloff's second daughter was baptised last week Christine Michelle with several of his team mates attending the ceremony.

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THERE may be another Giacometti playing for APIA next season. Johnny's younger brother, Luigi, will migrate to Australia next year and settle here permanently.

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IT now appears that former Preston North End junior Melville Neil won't be joining Bankstown this year after all. Neil has accepted an offer from a professional British club.

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NSW Federation vice-president Frank Parsons made an impressive debut as soccer broadcaster on the ABC last Saturday. His brief descriptions of the Prague v. Cumberland match were colorful and really brought life into the game for listeners. Parsons stood in for Martin Royal who was describing the match on television.

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HAKOAH's 20-year-old Scottish fullback Alan Marnoch has bought a house at Villawood.

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DON'T be surprised if Les Schauman's stay in Melbourne will be a short one. Croatia actually lent him to Melbourne HSC for the rest of 1964 because local transfers are no longer possible. Several Sydney clubs may be keen to get him back by the start of 1965—for a fee paid to Croatia.

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COLIN Owers, the 16-year-old goalkeeper who made his first grade debut for Bankstown last Saturday is a product of the vast North Bankstown junior association. Owers is a former Bankstown junior representative. Despite his obvious nervousness early in last week's match, Owers looks like developing into a top goalkeeper. Feature of his game is a well placed throw which always finds an unmarked team-mate.

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HAKOAH will nominate seven of their brilliant youngsters for the under-19 NSW team. They are Peter Fuzes, Robert McKnight, Clive Thomson, Alex Coutts, Robert Fekete, Mick Bell and Johnny Clarke. All these players, with the exception of Fuzes, represented NSW in last year's under-18 series.

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DUNCAN Falconer's wife and three-months' son will fly to Australia in three weeks time from Scotland.

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CUMBERLAND United have received word that former English amateur International Derek Griffin will arrive in September.

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ONE of Bobby Madden's most fervent admirers is Matthew Alagich, nephew of well-known Yugal committeeman Mick Alagich. Last Saturday the 12-year-old Matt had the thrill of his life when he lent his shin-pads to his idol for the match against Yugal. Matt Alagich is a regular Bankstown ball boy and has represented the Bankstown districts' under-12 side.

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HERBERT Ninaus answered his critics, and the Hakoah selectors, by scoring five goals in Hakoah's reserve team's 8-1 win over Croatia last Sunday. Ninaus has a new job as dispatch clerk at Goldberg International Footwear.

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CROATIA held a meeting last night at the Irish Club to set down plans for a licenced club next year.

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BUDAPEST-St. George's Supporters Club will officially unfurl their new flag at the club's cabaret-dance on Saturday night, August 1. The function will be held in the Lithuanian Club, 32 Parnell Sat., Strathfield and will feature several stars from Sydney's current stage hit, "Ca C'est Paris."

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SUTHERLAND will hold a barbecue and games night at the home of Gordon Gillham on August 7. Tickets, at 10//- each, can be obtained by ringing 523-5818. Gordon Gillham, president of the Sutherland Shire Junior Association and second division Sutherland committeeman, is the head of the Shire's most active soccer family. His wife and daughters run the club's canteen and social functions while his son Peter is Sutherland's captain. Another son, John, is a junior referee.

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VERNON Wentzel, the former APIA sharpshooter, is South Africa's international centre-forward this season. Wentzel led the South African attack against top English club Arsenal a fortnight ago and scored the team's only goal in its 1-3 defeat at Johannesburg.

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CROATIA will hold a dance at Princes Restaurant on August 8.

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SALVADOR ("Turku") Isaac has his right foot in plaster due to a ligament injury. He may not be able to start training again for at least another five weeks.

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SINCE Joe Marston plays in APIA's reserves the team has not lost one match and are now secure in fourth place despite a poor start in the premiership.

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NED Bulatovic, the former Yugal forward, has transferred from the Austrian Klagenfurt to Dutch team Enschede for a 6,000 dollars transfer fee.

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OUR kissing and hugging department: last Sunday Schaefer returned Stokes' hand kiss of a week earlier when the ginger-haired Englishman scored Budapest's first goal against Corinthians. And it was Kissing, nothing else . . .

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We would like reader Jim Baines to contact us by 'phone Monday or Tuesday.

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MELITA Eagles have signed Paul Said, a first division Maltese player from Rabat. Said, who has been in Australia for two weeks, scored three goals against leading club Floriana in his last match in Malta three weeks ago.

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MELITA Eagles will stage a match between committeemen and supporters at 12 p.m. on Sunday at Fraser Park. The game is being played to raise money for Bill Binnie, who broke an ankle at work three weeks ago.

TEAM OF THE WEEK

A. IGLESIAS (APIA)

T. EDWARDS (Hakoah) — S. ACKERLEY (APIA)

J. KELLY (SCU) — J. HARRIS (SCU) — J. BOND (Prague)

E. SCHWARZ (Yugal) — V. FERNANDEZ (Budapest)

D. TODD (Corinthians) — P. BUENDIA (Canterbury) — R. DOUGAN (Canterbury)

NSW SECOND DIVISION

Brilliant Polonia take clear lead, Granville's prospects slump badly

Granville's disastrous slump has all but set the seal on Polonia's return to first division after a two-year absence.

Polonia, however, were given a terrible fright last Sunday when Thistle went to a 2-0 lead after 15 minutes.

It took all the skill of their highly-rated Polish imports to reverse the situation, Polonia-NS finally romping home 6-2 after outclassing their game opponents in a one-sided second half.

Polona-NS' scorers were Komoder and Witczak, 2 each, and Gawlik and Woodward.

Polonia were all the more determined to win as it meant a clear lead on the table following Granville-AEK's 2-2 draw with Wollongong Olympic on Saturday.

Granville actually were lucky to draw as both their goals came from penalties after Wollongong Olympic had taken the lead twice.

Granville have lost their superb cohesion and are obviously shaken at having lost the lead with promotion in sight.

Inconsistent Syd. Austral jumped to sixth place for the first time this season as a result of their 2-0 victory over Concordia.

Western United and Sutherland were evenly matched and deservedly drew 1-1 in an exciting match.

Melita Eagles and Blacktown-BSK both had good "away" victories at Marconi Oval and Grahame Reserve, Manly, and are still neck in neck in the battle for fourth place and the semifinals.

THIS WEEKEND

No surprises are expected this weekend as Polonia-NS and Granville-AEK should win comfortably.

Leaders Polonia-NS will not take Sydney Austral lightly however as the Dutch-sponsored team only lost 1-2 in the first round.

Polonia-NS hate being bustled off the ball and thats exactly what the hard-hitting Austral will do in an attempt to unsettle the ball-playing Poles.

Granville, despite the loss of another vital point last weekend, should have an easy win over depleted Concordia.

Wollongong Olympic, heartened by last week's fine result, should be too strong at home for Marconi and are tipped to clinch third place this weekend.

The battle for the 4th position may only be decided in the last round, however, as both Melita Eagles and Blacktown-BSK are favored to defeat Sutherland and Western United respectively.

Thistle are expected to leave Manly further in arrears on the competition table with a convincing win at Knight's Park.

TV ignores soccer on grounds of "poor quality"

The Australian Broadcasting Commission will not televise more Sydney soccer matches as long as major games are not played on Saturday.

Bob Richardson, of the ABC sports division, said this yesterday.

Richardson said it was the ABC's policy to telecast the best available local sport, but soccer never gave good value on Saturdays.

For this reason alone rugby union is being telecast live nearly every Saturday.

The rugby union stage all their matches on Saturdays and allow their "match of the week" to be televised.

The ABC, Richardson said, considered the top rugby union match much better value than most of the soccer matches played on Saturday.

"The only soccer teams which seem to play on Saturday in Sydney are the weak, mediocre clubs—and who wants to televise their games?", Richardson said.

"All the glamor Sydney teams play only on Sunday it seems, when it is impossible for the ABC to do outdoor live telecasts."

Bob Richardson said that the ABC had received many letters from soccer fans complaining about the lack of live soccer telecasts, but that as long as the Federation maintained its policy of only staging mediocre matches on Saturday, the ABC had no alternative but to concentrate on a top rugby union match every Saturday rather than a second-rate soccer game.

Richardson also said that it was not in soccer's interest to allow substandard local matches to be televised, particularly since televiewers could watch top Scottish and English football on the ABC.

The "World of Sport" (Channel 9) which runs for two hours on Sunday afternoon features all kinds of minor sports but can't even find five minutes for Sydney's second winter sport.

TCN Channel 9 sports director Mike Agostini was not available for comment yesterday when SOCCER WORLD, on behalf of many readers, wanted to find out why Sunday's sports show completely ignores soccer.

"World of Sport" disregards soccer despite self-professed claims of being the "most comprehensive" sports show in Australia.

DIVIDE — AND RULE

Two teams have improved their goal averages considerably since last week: South Coast and Budapest.

Prague, Hakoah and Yugal improved slightly while the others got worse.

Present goal averages — with last week's bracketed:

S. Coast 1.70 (1.61); APIA 1.51 (1.51); Budapest 1.57 (1.46); Hakoah 1.21 (1.19); Prague 1.41 (1.37); Yugal 0.97 (0.90); Cumberland 1.40 (1.45); P. Hellenic 1.11 (1.18) and Croatia 0.94 (0.97).

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COMPETITION TABLES

FIRST DIVISION
First grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
S. Coast Utd.	10	5	3	34	20	25
APIA	11	2	5	44	29	24
Budapest	9	4	5	41	26	22
Hakoah	10	2	6	39	32	22
Prague	10	1	7	41	29	21
Yugal	9	3	6	40	41	21
Cumberland	8	3	7	45	32	19
Pan Hellenic	9	1	8	39	35	19
Croatia	6	6	6	35	37	18
Bankstown	4	4	10	28	41	12
Corinthians	2	4	12	33	52	8
Canterbury	2	1	15	22	69	5

FIRST DIVISION
Second Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Hakoah	12	4	2	56	20	28
S. Coast Utd.	10	4	4	39	29	24
Pan Hellenic	9	5	3	51	31	23
APIA	8	5	5	34	27	21
Bankstown	7	4	7	37	44	18
Canterbury	6	6	6	26	33	18
Budapest	7	3	8	42	36	17
Cumberland	6	4	8	48	38	16
Prague	7	2	8	32	31	16
Croatia	6	3	9	27	43	15
Corinthians	6	—	12	29	54	12
Yugal	1	4	13	19	54	6

FIRST DIVISION
Third Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Canterbury	11	5	2	49	18	27
Budapest	13	1	4	35	24	27
S. Coast Utd.	11	4	3	51	25	26
APIA	10	5	3	53	25	25
Bankstown	11	—	7	34	20	22
Yugal	8	2	8	36	32	18
Hakoah	8	2	8	34	35	18
Corinthians	5	5	8	24	34	15
Prague	4	3	10	23	38	11
Cumberland	5	1	12	20	38	11
Pan Hellenic	3	2	13	17	41	8
Croatia	1	4	13	14	57	6

SECOND DIVISION
First Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Polonia-NS	17	2	1	79	21	36
Granville-AEK	16	3	1	87	31	35
W. Olympic	12	2	6	56	35	26
Blacktown-BSK	11	1	8	61	49	23
Melita Eagles	9	5	6	38	32	23
Sydney Austral	6	5	8	37	43	17
Concordia	6	4	10	42	55	16
Sutherland	6	4	10	46	74	16
Marconi	6	2	10	31	41	14
Western Utd.	6	2	11	37	55	14
Thistle	3	4	12	36	58	10
Manly	1	2	16	21	75	4

SECOND DIVISION
Second Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Granville-AEK	17	1	2	91	25	35
W. Olympic	13	2	5	53	29	28
Polonia-NS	12	3	5	61	32	27
Sutherland	13	1	6	57	37	27
Concordia	11	3	6	41	31	25
Manly	10	2	7	53	37	22
Blacktown-BSK	8	—	11	44	59	16
Marconi	6	2	10	29	37	14
Melita Eagles	5	2	13	29	55	12
Sydney Austral	4	2	12	40	93	10
Western Utd.	4	1	14	26	52	9
Thistle	3	1	15	33	70	7

Last week's results

FIRST DIVISION
2nd and 3rd Grades

Prague v. Cumberland	0-2	1-0
Bankstown v. Yugal	3-1	1-0
SCU v. APIA	0-3	0-4
Canterbury v. P. Hellenic	1-1	1-1
Budapest v. Corinthians	0-2	2-1
Hakoah v. Croatia	8-1	4-0
Corinthians v. SCU	1-2	2-3
Yugal v. Cumberland	1-6	0-3
Budapest v. Canterbury	1-1	

SECOND DIVISION
1st and 2nd Grades

Granville v. W. Olympic	2-2	2-1
Western U. v. Sutherland	1-1	2-4
Marconi v. M. Eagles	2-4	3-2
Concordia v. S. Austral	0-2	1-4
Manly v. Blacktown-BSK	2-5	4-0
Polonia-NS v. Thistle	6-2	8-0

LEADING SCORERS

J. WATKISS (APIA)	17
G. BARNETT (SCU)	15
H. NINAUS (Hakoah)	14
J. GALAMBOS (Budapest)	13
J. RICHARDSON (Cumberland)	13
B. KELLY (Cumberland)	11
D. LOGAN (Pan Hellenic)	11
A. NINCEVIC (Yugal)	10
L. SCHEINFLUG (Prague)	10
J. ALAGICH (Yugal)	9
V. FERNANDEZ (Budapest)	9
B. TRISTRAM (Prague)	9

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RESULTS & SCORERS

CORINTHIANS
2 (1)

G. Nutt 42 min., penalty, D. Todd 77 min.

S. COAST UTD.
5 (4)

J. Kelly 6 min., G. Barnett 40 min., M. Johnson 44 min., R. Robinson 30 m. own goal, T. Arnold 68 m. own goal.

PRAGUE
1 (0)

B. Tristram 70 min.

CUMBERLAND
0 (0)

BANKSTOWN
0 (0)

YUGAL
3 (2)

E. Schwarz 9 min., D. Palmer 11 min., J. Medina 52 min.

S. COAST UTD.
0 (0)

APIA
0 (0)

HAKOAH
2 (1)

M. Bell 26 min., J. Christie 89 min.

CROATIA
1 (1)

I. Tomicic 35 min.

CANTERBURY
3 (2)

R. Baker 1 min., R. Dougan 28 min., W. Travers 66 min.

PAN HELLENIC
1 (0)

S. Patrinos 77 min.

BUDAPEST
3 (1)

A. Stokes 32 min., M. Schaefer 57 min., V. Fernandez 70 min.

CORINTHIANS
0 (0)

HOW THEY LINED UP

P. Gray 2; E. Anderson 2, M. Moulson 3; T. Hill 2, R. Robinson 3, T. Arnold 3; S. Hart 3, B. Williams 3, D. Todd 4, L. Bennett 4, G. Nutt 4.

TOTAL: 33 **Coach: F. Broome**

B. Rhodes 3; P. Woods 4, B. Salisbury 3; *J. Kelly* 5, *J. Harris* 5, M. Tolson 3; D. Mayers 3, J. Brownlie 3, G. Barnett 4, M. Johnson 3, W. Perry 3.

TOTAL: 39 **Coach: J. Kelly**

R. Lord 4; F. Falzon 4, S. Sherwin 4; G. Jones 4, A. Handorf 4, *J. Bond* 5; R. Blitz 3, B. Tristram 2, G. Sleight 2, L. Scheinflug 2, L. Gauto 2.

TOTAL: 36 **Coach: W. Tamandl**

B. Stevens 4; W. Addison 4, P. Keen 3; G. Arnott 3, R. Folwell 4, G. McPhail 3 (injured); S. Turner 3, B. Kelly 3, J. Richardson 3, M. Collins 2, V. Reynolds 4.

TOTAL: 36 **Coach: L. Quested.**

C. Owers 3; R. Madden 3, T. West 3; B. Jarvis 3, R. Cowling 3, B. Heward 4; N. Stiffle 4, R. Hewitt 4, R. Bamforth 3, C. Perkins 3, N. Oberman 3.

TOTAL: 36 **Coach: R. Hewitt**

Z. *Katnic* 5; H. Ringhoff 4, J. Mucillo 3; L. Lazarevic 3, M. Stojanovic 4, F. Dunaj 3; J. Medina 3 (injured), E. Schwarz 4, D. Palmer 3, A. Nincevic 3, S. Rafaneli 3.

TOTAL: 38 **Coach: A. Jagodic.**

B. Rhodes 4; *P. Woods* 5, P. Stanley 4; *J. Kelly* 5, *J. Harris* 5, M. Tolson 4; D. Mayers 3 (injured), M. Johnson 2 (injured), G. Barnett 3, J. Brownlie 3 (injured), B. Salisbury 3.

TOTAL: 41 **Coach: J. Kelly**

A. Iglesias 5; C. Van Blerk 4, S. Ackerley 4; P. Hughes 4, *R. Murua* 5, F. Bottalico 4; W. Sinclair 3, D. Falconer 3, G. Giacometti 3, J. Watkiss 3, J. Sambrook 2.

TOTAL: 40 **Coach: G. Polgar.**

G. McGuire 3; *T. Edwards* 5, A. Marnock 3; I. Hillsdon 3, M. Woods 4, D. Edwards 3; R. Fekete 3, K. Kauz 3, J. Christie 3, J. Hewlett 3, M. Bell 3.

TOTAL: 36 **Coach: M. Woods**

O. Collazo 4; J. Puig 4, J. Gergely 4; G. Ledezma 4, *A. Hetherington* 5, N. Bischoff 4; I. Tomicic 2, R. Frazer 2, M. Rinos 3, T. Bitunjac 2, R. Hoare 2.

TOTAL: 36 **Coach: E. Massey**

R. Corry 5; B. Lincoln 4, G. Nuttall 4; R. Cush 3, T. North 4, J. Dougan 3; W. Travers 3, D. Yaager 4, P. Buendia 4, R. Baker 3, *R. Dougan* 5.

TOTAL: 42. **Coach: G. Azzopardi**

J. Bout 3; G. Yangou 3, D. Wright 3; S. Patrinos 4, J. Curry 3, C. Omeros (sent off); D. Logan 3, B. Smith 3, J. Fernie 3, J. Eleftheriadis 3, J. Pearson 4.

TOTAL: 32 **Coach: F. Hearn.**

M. Clarke 4; *H. Stegbauer* 5, T. Zuckermann 4; F. Lang 3, H. Rodriguez 4, *M. Schaefer* 5; M. Krgin 3, J. Warren 3, J. Galambos (sent off), *V. Fernandez* 5, A. Stokes 4.

TOTAL: 40 **Coach: L. Hegyes**

P. Gray 3; E. Anderson 3, M. Moulson 3; B. Williams 4, R. Robinson 4, T. Arnold (sent off); D. Todd 4, T. Hills 3, P. Barnes 3, S. Hart 3, G. Nutt 4.

TOTAL: 34 **Coach: F. Broome**

SUMMING UP THE MATCHES

Big defensive mistakes by the opposition rather than brilliant play enabled South Coast United to score a big win. Corinthians' reshuffled team beat itself with two disastrous own goals. Captain-coach Jim Kelly was in dazzling form for South Coast and gave his best display of the season to inspire his rather dull, unspectacular team-mates. Corinthians reserve defenders Gray, Anderson and Hill were nowhere near first division standard.

Referee J. Scarborough was good.

Crowd: 600. **— PETER FLOW**

Prague held a territorial advantage for most of the game but were still lucky to score at all. Their forwards overdid the dribbling and wasted every perfect pass laid down by left-half Johnny Bond who played his best match since coming to Australia. Cumberland may well have won had their forwards been able to finish good midfield moves as they often found gaps in the Prague defence.

Referee J. Scarborough was good.

Crowd: 2,100. LINCOLN WALTERS

Bankstown lost this match because 16-year-old goalkeeper Owers could not hang on to two "easy" first half shots, resulting in goals for Yugal. Bankstown were the better team in the first half and should have led by three goals at the interval instead of trailing 0-2. The second half was very even with Yugal sealing the match with a 30-yard goal by the injured Medina.

This dull game was well refereed by Dave Buchan.

Crowd: 1,200. **— EINAR PERSEN**

South Coast, with virtually eight men, turned on a brilliant display of near perfect defence to almost beat APIA in a thrilling tussle. APIA's attack sadly missed schemer Johnny Wong and was rarely dangerous. Kelly, Harris and Tolson easily blotted the highly-rated APIA inside-trio out of the match. The record South Coast crowd was treated to a great match, which would have been a classic had a few goals been scored. The match was rugged, incident packed from start to finish and highlighted by splendid tackling from both defences.

Referee K. Lockrey was good.

Crowd: 9,462. **— RICK BRUCE**
(All-time South Coast record.)

Hakoah were lucky to score the winning goal in the last 45 seconds of this uninteresting match. A draw would have been a fairer result as both sets of forwards were incredibly weak, particularly Croatia's who were unable to hold on to the ball which kept coming back to their defence. Hakoh won because their team was slightly better balanced and did not display such glaring weaknesses as Croatia's "horror" forward-line where Massey's absence proved fatal.

Referee S. Pundyk was good.

Crowd: 3,700. **— BRIAN CANNON**

Displaying their best form of the season, Canterbury shocked over-confident Pan Hellenic by sweeping into attack from the kick-off. Canterbury's two-goal first half lead did not seem to bother Pan Hellenic, but when the Berries made it 3-0 after 66 minutes Pan Hellenic collapsed. Their players started arguing and played more listlessly than ever. To make things worse for the visitors, Canterbury goalie Corry was in brilliant form, stopping all the Pan Hellenic attempts at goal, and Omeros was sent off.

Referee N. Jones was fair.

Crowd: 4,000. **— DES BROADIS**

Budapest won in a trot, and with more accurate shooting could have scored another half a dozen. However, they were not as impressive as the week before and especially in the second half appeared to treat the match as a work-out. Corinthians were disjointed and only their wingers represented some danger. Without a "brain" to hold them together, they never had a chance and it was only their unblemished fighting spirit that kept them in the game.

Referee Boskovic was firm, well in control.

Crowd: 1,500. **— PAUL DEAN**

Sunday's games may give pointers to final table

This could well be a "Black Sunday" for some teams: several are engaged in vital ties that could make or break their semifinal chances.

Saturday will be relatively quiet: one match has no bearing on the competition at all (Corinthians v. Bankstown) while the other should see the favorites win (Croatia).

Oh, but Sunday... Many fans will wish they could arrange to have a split personality to be present at two or three grounds at one time.

It is possible that both table leaders will win — South Coast and APIA — and go to a respectable lead.

On the other hand, they could both lose and the field may pack up behind them.

Three teams — Cumberland, Pan Hellenic, and Croatia — are in deep trouble and in imminent danger of dropping out of the semifinal race.

Yugal v. Hakoah

YOUNG BLOOD

With ample talent at their disposal, both teams are struggling hard to keep afloat when they should be swimming effortlessly.

Last week they both won but neither managed to send home their fans with too great a faith in the future.

Yugal's unpredictability is proverbial and after two poor shows they may be due for a change for the better.

Against Hakoah they usually play well — the slow pace suits them admirably.

Hakoah, without the stars, suffered no setback last week and may again field a team which includes some keen, energetic youngsters.

These could swing the match in their favor as Yugal's slow-moving halves dislike nothing more than chasing the ball for any length of time.

However, the teams are so evenly matched that whichever wins, the result may be very close.

Our tip: Draw.

APIA v. Budapest

FORWARD STARS

Of all the six matches on the weekend this has the greatest bearing on the final outcome of the premiership.

A win for APIA — and they come a step closer to their old dream.

A win for Budapest — and they are promoted to second place, with just one more team to overhaul.

APIA are in fair form and at the Sports Ground usually perform creditably.

If their forward line gets going, it will be hard to stop even by the very solid and reliable Budapest defence.

On the other hand, the previously suspect Budapest forward quintet has suddenly come to life, as nine goals in two games testify.

The spacious ground will suit their fast, interchanging style against the big APIA defenders and may see them through yet another match unbeaten.

Our tip: Draw.

C'land v. S. Coast

WEAK INSIDES

All the April and May brilliance of Cumberland have vanished — what's left is nothing but poor British amateur stuff.

The main culprits are the inside forwards who just fail to combine effectively and can't even feed their fast wingers with the right sort of balls.

Not that South Coast are in world-beating form: their forward line is also sterile and helpless.

This match could well be decided in the midfield — and there South Coast is stronger.

Cumberland must realise that this is their very last chance to stay in the semifinal race; if they can't lift their game now, they will fall back, possibly finishing in the unglorious 9th place.

A win for South Coast would mean strengthening their premiership prospects — and this should spur them on to great heights.

Our tip: South Coast.

Croatia v. C'bury

ANOTHER SHOCK?

An unlucky last minute goal last week placed Croatia in a precarious position: they must win and win well in order to stay in the hunt.

Canterbury, after their surprise win over Pan Hellenic, may be getting ready for another display of bravado.

With nothing to lose, not even their cough, they may be able to force Croatia into errors.

By PAUL DEAN

who wants to remind South Coast that the scoring of goals has never been scrapped from the rule books...

However, on paper at least Croatia appear to have the upper hand and must be favored to take home the goods.

Our tip: Croatia.

C'thians v. B'town

RAIDS LIKELY

Both have been all but relegated and thus their encounter will produce no tense atmosphere.

However, for prestige reasons both teams will try to force the issue and collect the points.

Bankstown's forward line and Corinthians' defence are the weak parts which all points to a low scoring game.

However, the two fast Corinthians wingers may be able to manage to organise enough good raids to snatch the points.

Our tip: Corinthians.

P. Hellenic v. Prague

LAST CHANCE

Cracker day which I had prematurely forecast in these columns last week, turned into a modern Greek tragedy.

Just when they seemed to have made a great recovery, Pan Hellenic inexplicably folded up and lost to tailenders Canterbury.

This is definitely their very last chance as another defeat would put them out of the running for the semifinals.

Prague last week scrambled to a narrow and uninspiring win; their forward line, once the envy of Sydney, let them down again.

Their rearguards are tight enough to hold at bay the raiding Hellenic forwards.

A great deal depends on just what mood Pan Hellenic will face up to their task: a determined bid by them could save their neck.

Prague's greater overall strength tips the balance in their favor and if their forwards hit only a medium form, they should win.

Our tip: Prague.

THIS WEEKEND

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

FIRST DIVISION

(Three Grades: 11.45 a.m., 1.15 & 3.00 p.m.)

Croatia v. Canterbury — Arlington Oval
Corinthians v. Bankstown — Drummoyne Oval

SECOND DIVISION

(Two Grades: 1.15 & 3.00 p.m.)

Sydney Austral v. Polonia-NS — Cricket Ground No 2
Thistle v. Manly — Knights Park

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

FIRST DIVISION

(Three Grades: 11.45 a.m., 1.15 & 3.00 p.m.)

Pan Hellenic v. Prague — Wentworth Park
Yugal v. Hakoah — Marks Field
APIA v. Budapest — Sports Ground
Cumberland Utd. v. SCU — Mona Park

SECOND DIVISION

(Two Grades: 1.15 & 3.00 p.m.)

Melita Eagles v Sutherland — Fraser Park
Blacktown-BSK v. Western United — Francis Park
Wollongong Olympic v. Marconi — Balgownie Oval
Granville-AEK v. Concordia — Macarthur Park

NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

FIRST DIVISION

(Three Grades: 11.45 a.m., 1.15 & 3.00 p.m.)

Canterbury v. Yugal — Arlington Oval
Bankstown v. Budapest — Bankstown Oval

SECOND DIVISION

(Two Grades: 1.15 & 3.00 p.m.)

Thistle v. Melita Eagles — Knight's Park
Western United v. Wollongong Olympic-Girraween Park

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

FIRST DIVISION

(Three Grades: 11.45 a.m., 1.15 & 3.00 p.m.)

SCU v. Pan Hellenic — Woonona Oval
Prague v. Croatia — Marks Field
Hakoah v. Corinthians — Wentworth Park
Cumberland Utd. v. APIA — Mona Park

SECOND DIVISION

(Two Grades: 1.15 & 3.00 p.m.)

Sutherland v. Sydney Austral — Seymour Shaw Park
Polonia-NS v. Blacktown-BSK — Drummoyne Oval
Marconi v. Granville-AEK — Marconi Oval
Concordia v. Manly — Fraser Park

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SYDNEY TEAMS

CUMBERLAND v. SOUTH COAST UTD.

B. STEVENS	1	B. RHODES
W. ADDISON	2	P. WOODS
P. KEEN	3	P. STANLEY
G. ARNOTT	4	J. KELLY
R. FOLWELL	5	J. HARRIS
N. TOWNSEND	6	M. TOLSON
S. TURNER	7	D. MAYERS
B. KELLY	8	G. BARNETT
J. RICHARDSON	9	J. DOHERTY
M. COLLINS	10	J. BROWNLIE
V. REYNOLDS	11	W. PERRY

Referee: S. PUNDYK
Linesmen: J. Scifleet, W. Irons.

PAN HELLENIC v. PRAGUE

J. BOUT	1	R. LORD
G. YANGOU	2	F. FALZON
D. WRIGHT	3	S. SHERWIN
R. McKELLAR	4	G. JONES
J. CURRY	5	A. HANDORF
S. PATRINOS	6	J. BOND
D. LOGAN	7	R. BLITZ
B. SMITH	8	B. TRISTRAM
J. FERNIE	9	G. SLEIGHT
J. ELEFTHERIADIS	10	L. SCHEINFLUG
J. PEARSON	11	L. GAUTO

Referee: A. BOSKOVIC
Linesmen: N. Anderson, D. Henderson.

CROATIA v. CANTERBURY

O. COLLAZO	1	R. CORRY
J. PUIG	2	B. LINCOLN
J. GERGELY	3	G. NUTTALL
G. LEDEZMA	4	R. CUSH
A. HETHERINGTON	5	T. NORTH
N. BISCHOFF	6	J. DOUGAN
I. TOMICIC	7	W. TRAVERS
M. RINOS	8	D. YAAGER
E. MASSEY	9	P. BUENDIA
R. HOARE	10	R. BAKER
R. FRAZER	11	R. DOUGAN

Referee: K. LOCKREY
Linesmen: S. Cousins, A. Sorbie.

CORINTHIANS v. BANKSTOWN

P. GRAY	1	W. RORKE
D. LAPWOOD	2	R. MADDEN
M. MOULSON	3	T. WEST
B. WILLIAMS	4	B. JARVIS
R. ROBINSON	5	R. COWLING
P. DEWHURST	6	B. HEWARD
D. TODD	7	N. STIFFLE
L. BENNETT	8	R. HEWITT
P. BARNES	9	R. BAMFORTH
S. HART	10	C. PERKINS
G. NUTT	11	N. OBERMAN

Referee: N. JONES
Linesmen: A.R. Brown, A. Faroni.

APIA v. BUDAPEST

A. IGLESIAS	1	M. CLARKE
C. VAN BLERK	2	H. STEGBAUER
S. ACKERLEY	3	T. ZUCKERMANN
P. HUGHES	4	F. LANG
R. MURUA	5	H. RODRIGUEZ
F. BOTTALICO	6	M. SCHAEFER
W. SINCLAIR	7	L. HEREDIA
D. FALCONER	8	J. WARREN
G. GIACOMETTI	9	M. KRGIN
J. WATKISS	10	V. FERNANDEZ
J. WONG	11	A. STOKES

Referee: J. SCARBOROUGH
Linesmen: D. Buchan, H. Buchanan.

YUGAL v. HAKOAH

Z. KATNIC	1	G. MC GUIRE
H. RINGHOFF	2	T. EDWARDS
J. MUCILLO	3	A. MARNOCK
L. LAZAREVIC	4	I. HILLSDON
M. STOJANOVIC	5	M. WOODS
F. DUNAJ	6	D. EDWARDS
J. MEDINA	7	R. FEKETE
E. SCHWARZ	8	K. KAUZ
D. PALMER	9	J. CHRISTIE
A. NINCEVIC	10	J. HEWLETT
S. RAFANELI	11	H. NINAUS

Referee: H. PARSONS
Linesmen: S. Liebermann, H. Robertson.

Tipsters' corner

A win for the home team is indicated by 1, a draw by x and a win for the visiting team by 2.

THIS WEEKEND'S FIRST DIVISION MATCHES	PAUL DEAN	LOU GAUTIER	EINAR PERSEN	MARCEL NAGY	S.W. GUEST*	MOST FAVORED
Croatia v. Canterbury	1	1	1	1	1	1
Corinthians v. Bankstown	1	2	2	x	2	2
Pan Hellenic v. Prague	2	2	x	2	x	2
APIA v. Budapest	x	x	x	2	1	x
Yugal v. Hakoah	x	2	2	2	x	2
Cumberland v. SCU	2	1	2	2	x	2

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Five still retain chance for vital third placing in SA

— From ALLAN CRISP in Adelaide —

With two rounds left to complete the season, Juventus and Budapest are battling for the championship, five teams are left with an Australia Cup chance and three face relegation.

Austria v. Hellas
BALEY RESERVE

A berth in the rich Australia Cup could be the prize for the victor of this clash.

Austria regained third position last week and are well in the running while Hellas have an outside chance provided they win their remaining games and Austria and Croatia crash.

Superb forward moves, aggression, speed; this game should have the lot with the superior speed of Hellas perhaps winning the day.

First round: 2-2, abandoned.

Budapest v. C'land
HINDMARSH STADIUM

To remain in the exciting premiership race Budapest must topple a red-hot Cumberland flushed by three straight wins.

These sides have the distinction of being the only ones to defeat Juventus this season.

Cumberland can't be faulted over the past three weeks but Budapest's expected forward dominance could bring a home victory.

First round: Budapest 4-1.

Croatia v. Enfield
HANSON RESERVE

Another game with sufficient potential to keep the soccer purist content.

Evenly matched, these sides could not be separated before and another even game looks certain.

Croatia should have an edge at Woodville but will need to have Broikos and Graham fit to take both points.

First round: 2-2.

Polonia v. Birkalla
CROYDON PARK

Custer's last stand will have nothing on this relegation showdown.

Both face potentially better sides in the final week which makes this meeting the big clincher.

To confuse the issue Polonia has the better attack while Birkalla looks more sound in defence.

First round: 3-3.

Victoria v. Juventus
ENFIELD RESERVE

Victoria, fighting for first division existence, will strike Juventus determined to stay ahead of Budapest.

Unbelievably Juventus has failed to win any of their last three games but with the incentives high they should snap back to winning form.

First round: Juventus 3-0.

JUVENTUS KEEPS SLENDER LEAD

CLASH OF GIANTS ENDS IN DRAW

Juventus took a giant stride towards winning the 1964 premiership by drawing with their closest rival, Budapest, last Saturday.

DETAILS:

Juventus v. B'pest 1-1

Five thousand fans thrilled to this hard fought game in which the forwards of both sides were forced into hurried shots as brilliant defences dominated.

Scorers: Jones for Budapest; Crawford for Juventus.

Austria v. Birkalla 2-1

After four weeks without a goal Birkalla scored first but muffed two further chances and Austria took the initiative and the points.

Scorers: Baines 2 for Austria; Tanner for Birkalla.

C'land v. Polonia 3-1

Cumberland threw off their relegation fears by sweeping to a three-goal lead before Polonia netted in a belated burst.

Scorers: McFarlane 2, Stockley (penalty), for Cumberland; Campbell for Polonia.

Enfield v. Victoria 3-1

Enfield also safeguarded their first division status but had to survive a troublesome, goal-less first half before Forde and McRae got their lively forwards mobile.

Scorers: McDonald, D. Hemingway, Whincup for Enfield; Millar for Victoria.

Hellas v. Croatia 4-2

Handicapped by the loss of star defenders Graham and Broikos, through injury, Croatia conceded Hellas a three-goal start, then recovered to get within a goal only to see Hellas race away with brilliant forward play.

Scorers: DeLyster 2, Blaskowitz, Worthington for Hellas; Franjic, Slager for Croatia.

SCOREBOARD

SA First Division

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Juventus	**10**	**4**	**2**	**32**	**13**	**24**
Budapest	**9**	**5**	**2**	**31**	**18**	**23**
Austria	**9**	**1**	**8**	**35**	**29**	**19**
Croatia	**8**	**2**	**6**	**27**	**26**	**18**
Hellas	6	4	6	29	26	16
Cumber'ld	7	1	8	31	30	15
Enfield	5	5	6	29	30	15
Victoria	4	2	10	24	38	10
Polonia	3	4	9	26	42	10
Birkalla	4	2	10	19	32	10

SA Second Division

	W	D	L	F	A	P
USC Lion	**13**	**--**	**1**	**56**	**10**	**26**
Malta U.	**9**	**3**	**2**	**40**	**15**	**21**
Pt. Adel.	**8**	**4**	**2**	**26**	**21**	**20**
Edinburgh	**8**	**2**	**4**	**38**	**23**	**18**
Elizabeth	4	4	6	22	23	12
Beograd	4	3	7	21	29	11
W.R.E.	2	7	5	15	31	11
Napoli	3	2	9	25	34	8
Orange-S.	3	2	9	12	37	8
Salisbury	1	3	10	17	49	5

First Division Reserves

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Enfield	**13**	**--**	**3**	**44**	**15**	**26**
Birkalla	**10**	**3**	**3**	**32**	**16**	**23**
Juventus	**10**	**2**	**4**	**31**	**14**	**22**
Victoria	**9**	**1**	**6**	**29**	**27**	**19**
Budapest	8	2	6	41	27	18
Polonia	6	2	8	24	36	14
Hellas	4	4	8	35	38	12
Cumber'ld	5	1	10	22	31	11
Austria	3	3	10	21	36	9
Croatia	1	2	14	10	53	4

Goalscorers:

L. Matiscsak	(Budapest)	19
J. Baines	(Austria)	16
C. McRae	(Enfield)	10
W. Slager	(Croatia)	10
V. Eichmann	(Austria)	9
J. Miller	(Polonia)	9
T. De Lyster	(Hellas)	9
R. Batchelor	(Enfield)	8
R. Millar	(Victoria)	8
L. Peterson	(Cumberland)	7
N. Rusalen	(Juventus)	7

Crisp Comments

Hellas and Juventus, SA's top crowd-pulling clubs, have been drawn to meet in a third round clash for the Federation Cup at Hindmarsh Stadium on August 15.

The teams won their way to the final last year with Juventus winning 5-1.

Elizabeth will be afforded the opportunity of playing host to Budapest at Ramsay Park.

The full third round draw is:

Orange-Sturt v. Beograd; Birkalla v. University; Hellas v. Juventus; Croatia v. W.R.E.; Elizabeth v. Budapest; Cumberland v. Enfield; Victoria v. Polonia; Port Adelaide v. Austria.

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Juventus full-back Fulvio Pagani has entered the wholesale business.

His firm is the Rio Coffee Co. at Magill.

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Juventus and State goalkeeper Charlie Horvath was sporting a black-eye last Sunday.

He collected the "trophy" against his former team Budapest at Hanson Reserve.

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Referees for Saturday
FIRST DIVISION

Austria v. Hellas: A. Hankinson; Budapest v. Cumberland: W. Hosie; Croatia v. Enfield: D. Gardner; Polonia v. Birkalla: J. Wharton; Victoria v. Juventus: K. Candy.

Juve. grab lead as Slavia tumble

The shock result of 1964: that was the general reaction after Slavia's crushing 3-0 defeat by Lions, at their home ground at Port Melbourne.

And Juventus must class Lions' win as a friendly gesture as the Italians with their odd goal in three win over Hellas moved to the top of the State League ladder.

Juventus v. Hellas 2-1

Juventus, with an "iron curtain" defence and pacing the game out better all through, fully deserved the points in this all-action battle which attracted 8,000 fans to Middle Park.

Despite being a goal down after 15 minutes, Juventus looked the more compact and methodical side and drew level five minutes before half time.

In the second half both teams kept up a terrific pace and the match had all the qualities of premiership decider.

Scorers — SM Hellas: Mandalis — Juventus: Kenny and Higgins.

W'mina v. G. Cross 0-4

With a single goal lead at half time George Cross looked no great shakes against Wilhelmina which lacked skill, purpose and drive.

But in the second half the recast Maltese attack went to town and ran rings round their opponents who only offered token resistance.

Scorers — Geo. Cross: Horsfall, Stevenson (3).

Slavia v. Lions 0-3

Although they played attractive soccer throughout, Slavia never looked like pulling this game out of the fire after Lions turned round with a 1-0 lead at half time.

In direct contrast to their opponents the Port men did everything but score and this again emphasised their need for forwards with finish.

Lions, inspired all through by De Bruyckere, never looked back after they took the lead and their ultimate runaway win was justice for the inspiring game they played.

Scorers — Lions: Bevis, De Bruyckere (2).

Polonia v. Alex'der 5-1

Polonia's nap hand against Alexander was as easy as the score suggests.

And the Greek side look well and truly doomed to relegation.

Scorers — Polonia: Jankowski, Jurecki, Katolik and Plaskota — Alexander: Mastrovalis.

Melb. v. Hakoah 0-2

In a dull, uninteresting game, Melbourne came a cropper in the second half against Hakoah that looked determined from the outset to grab both points.

Two goals in 10 minutes late in the second half sealed Melbourne's fate and it was galling for their fans to see they were of the "gift variety".

Scorers — Hakoah: Rowley and McQuillan.

Triestina v. JUST 1-2

This was a hollow victory for JUST who never at any time of the game looked impressive.

In fact the first goal they scored was a bad blunder and mix-up by Zamola and Strohhecker which ended in the latter heading past his own 'keeper.

Scorers — Triestina: S. Cappelleti — JUST: Strohhecker (own goal), Pikl.

All-British battle with a difference

— From Bob Low in Melbourne —

Following their clash with Melbourne, Juventus should retain their top position in the State League ladder. However, S.M. Hellas are likely to do George Cross and Polonia a good turn by taking them nearer the "four" as they should account for JUST which is due for a tumble with their lethargic displays.

Lions v. Alexander

On the "up and up", Lions with greater tenacity and better balance should be untroubled to take both points against Alexander.

With a determination and combination that has made their play an "eye opener", Lions are in a confident mood.

Nothing can save Alexander except league reconstruction and the plain truth is they aren't good enough for State League.

My tip: LIONS.

Hakoah v. Slavia

This all-British battle could result in another shock for Slavia unless they improve their attack.

Hakoah, not over-elaborate in the finer skills of the game, are direct and take the shortest route for goal.

Slavia, on the other hand, indulge in too much approach play and this is taking its toll on their normally steady defence.

My Tip: HAKOAH.

G. Cross v. Triestina

The Maltese will no doubt reflect on their earlier meeting with Triestina when they scrambled home with a indecisive single goal win.

But this time the Cross should make no mistake, especially since they have found the scoring touch and despite the gameness and fighting spirit of the Italians they are on a beating to nothing.

My tip: GEORGE CROSS.

Wil'mina v. Polonia

This could be the hardest game of the round and the hardest to predict.

Wilhelmina are having their worst spell ever in the State League but are so unpredictable that they can make the forecasters look silly.

Polonia won't relish the stubborn play of the Dutchmen but if they can settle down early they should be well on the way to baffling their opponents with science.

My tip: POLONIA.

Juv'tus v. M'bourne

Juventus aren't likely to lose their newly acquired leadership against Melbourne which are all at sea without hard hitting centre, Jim Malloy.

And unless Malloy resumes after his injury, the Melbourne attack is likely to be brushed aside by the Juventus defence that stands on no ceremony.

My tip: JUVENTUS.

JUST v. S.M. Hellas

A direct contrast in styles should highlight this game.

The more composed JUST are staking their calmness against Hellas who throw caution to the wind and quite often succeed.

That JUST are missing Rasic and Mladenovic there can be no question as they are not well endowed with adequate reserves.

But Hellas are having more than their fair share of injuries which evens the score.

My tip: HELLAS.

Victorian table

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JUST	**8**	**5**	**3**	**26**	**20**	**21**
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G. Cross	7	4	5	27	22	18
*Polonia	6	4	5	33	19	16
Hakoah	5	4	7	37	36	14
Melbourne	6	2	8	33	39	14
Wilhelmina	5	3	8	27	34	13
*Lions	3	5	7	29	35	11
Triestina	4	3	9	15	29	11
Alexander	3	1	12	16	36	7

* Game in hand.

SPOTLIGHT on MELBOURNE

● Slavia rebel Pat McDonagh who recently cleared off to Sydney is back in Melbourne and turned out for his side against Lions.

● Late in the first half of the Slavia—Lions mach, Sanchez (Slavia) and Schwartz (Lions) were sent off by referee Geoff Harrison for kicking.

● Hellas' new centre half, Rousis who recently arrived from Greece was unable to take his place in the side against Juventus. He was struck by a car on the Thursday night and received leg injuries.

● Sam Kalioglou the Hellas 'keeper who had to leave the field 15 minutes after the start of the Juventus game with an injury was taken to Prince Henry's hospital for observation.

● Les Schauman, the Croatia (Sydney) winger who has been transferred to Melbourne made his debut for his new club against Hakoah at outside left. He had a quiet game.

● Don Hodgson after his recent cartilage operation made his first appearance for George Cross on Saturday against Wilhelmina when he took over at centre half from Bobby Adams who is suspended for three weeks. Hodgson turned in an immaculate display.

● Edmund Zientara, an absentee from Polonia's line-up against Alexander, missed his first game of the season. The youtful Plaskota who took over had a good game.

MANAGER JAILED

Franjo Velf, the manager of the Yugoslav national team has been arrested.

Velf's crime? He served as middle-man between players Lanza and Perusic and a Munich club.

The Yugosav FA forbids any player leaving the country without first getting official Government sanction.

Lanza and Perusic have been suspended for 12 months and Velf may serve six to ten months.

THREE OLD HANDS

Brighton, until a few years ago, were one of the fashionable clubs in the Melbourne top league.

They won the premiership in 1949.

Now wallowing in the second division they nevertheless retain much loyalty from their players.

They have three players who, between them, have played over 500 games for the club: David Foster in goal, left back Roger Falahay and Dennis Scott.

But these three have a long way to go to beat the record of Arthur Scott, who, at 36, hung up his boots at end of last season.

Arthur made some 500-odd appearances for Brighton teams and only missed four games with injuries in his 25 years of service.

Fullback stars twinkle brightest in most sides

Hakoah's Welsh international fullback Trevor Edwards has taken the lead in SOCCER WORLD's "star award".

Edwards, who was also capped for Australia after a mere four weeks in the country, has a slender lead over another right fullback — South Coast's Pat Woods, also an Australian squad selection against Everton.

Twelve players averaged four points or more after the 17th competition round.

These points are awarded weekly throughout the competition by SOCCER WORLD as a guide to players' performances.

Four points indicate a good display, five excellent and six outstanding.

This is the current "four plus" list:

T. EDWARDS (Hakoah)	4.25
P. WOODS (SCU)	4.21
P. HUGHES (APIA)	4.17
B. SMITH (P. Hell.)	4.17
O. COLLAZO (Croatia)	4.13
N. BISCHOFF (Croatia)	4.11
M. CLARKE (Budapest)	4.00
R. CORRY (Canterbury)	4.00
J. HARRIS (SCU)	4.00
A. HETHERINGTON (Croatia)	4.00
G. NUTTALL (C'bury)	4.00
H. RODRIGUEZ (Budapest)	4.00

Some players who featured in this list at the half-way mark of the competition have dropped out.

JIM HARRIS

They are M. Schaefer (Budapest), K. Jaros (APIA), L. Lazarevic (Yugal), R. McKellar (Pan Hellenic), J. Wong (APIA) and Cumberland' Stevens, Turner and Reynolds.

Trevor Edwards, who had only played five matches, M. Clarke, R. Corry, G. Nuttall, J. Harris and H. Rodriguez were not listed in the mid-competition ratings.

Croatia, despite their decline, still dominate the ratings with three players and their halfback Norberto Bischoff would have been in first place had he not been sent off against APIA.

HUGO RODRIGUEZ

Another Argentinian, Apia's Roberto Murua, would have also been prominent in the list if he too had not been sent off (against Corinthians on May 3).

Les Scheinflug is another player affected by expulsion.

Prague have missed out on the ratings altogether after getting the lion's share last season.

Lord, Gauto and Blitz, their key players in 1963, are not having a good season and this goes a long way in explaining the club's decline.

Trevor Edwards, the current "top-star" may lose his lead before the end of the competition as his last few performances were not up to his earlier displays.

South Coast's Pat Woods, always consistent, and Pat Hughes could pip the Welsh star on the post.

Woods is no stranger to SOCCER WORLD ratings, having featured prominently in all of them since his arrival from Queensland three years ago.

The current team, based on points awarded after 17 competition rounds reads:

O. Collazo; T. Edwards, G. Nuttall; P. Hughes, J. Harris, N. Bischoff; S. Turner (3.93), B. Smith, E. Massey (3.70), K. Jaros (3.92), V. Reynolds (3.94).

It is significant that only one forward, Brian Smith of Pan Hellenic, is among the players who have averaged four, or more, points.

This lack of forward brilliance is reflected in this season's tight, defence-obsessed competition where fullbacks, stoppers and halves steal the limelight.

—Lou Gautier

READERS' LETTERS

Issues sought

I am a keen follower of Sydney soccer and obtain a copy of the fabulous "Green Paper" every week through the mail.

I am also very interested in past teams and would be very glad to obtain some old copies of the "Green Paper".

I am interested mainly in the period when Prague had their mighty team, Baumgartner, Tamandl etc., so if you have copies back this far I would appreciate it very much if you got in touch with me.

JOHN CRAWLEY
20 Second St.,
Weston.

(Unfortunately we do not keep single issues that far back. However, we hope that some readers who have such copies will contact you. — Editor.)

Poor coverage

Surely Channel 2 can improve their Saturday afternoon sporting cover.

Two weeks ago we saw two Union teams slugging it out, just like the week before.

Why should that code get such preference over soccer which draws three times more first grade spectators each week?

Also, Channel 7 gave a soccer film on Saturday night, with no description except for unapologetic remarks about soccer's drawing power.

The commentator supports Australian Rules, which has just about no support as his film the week before showed.

There should be more soccer film than Union and Rules put together, and it should be better described.

A. ADAMS
N. Strathfield.

Flood urged

Recently I wrote to TCN 9 complaining about the discrimination shown against soccer in "The world of sport" program.

I received a very favorable reply urging more suggestions and stating that it is their intention to incorporate viewers' suggestions into the program.

I make a plea to all soccer lovers to flood the station with letters demanding a permanent, comprehensive soccer coverage as it does appear that Mike Agostini will vary his program if requests are received.

It is little use for soccer fans and officials to sit back and complain about the poor coverage given to soccer on Radio, Television and newspapers when a concerted voice of complaint could bring some improvement.

J. WILLIAMS
Mortdale.

Men in charge of Melbourne teams

So many clubs have chopped and changed around their coaches in the past two seasons that it's exteremely doubtful if many of the fans know who's coaching whom.

To keep them up to date here is the current list of Victorian State League coaches—at the time of going to press.

POLONIA — Vic Janczyk. Came from L.D.S. in Poland, won the Argus Best and Fairest Medal in 1960. Has represented Victoria on many occasions and is the present player-coach of this State.

SLAVIA — Brian Birch. Former Manchester United player who has been around English soccer for some time. Arrived here early this year and now player-coach to the Australian Cup winners of 1963.

GEORGE CROSS — Steve Mokone. The dusky South African who only arrived here quite recently has played in Continental and British soccer, had a spell in Canada as player-coach to Hamilton Steelers.

JUVENTUS — Max Gereets. A Dutchman who came with a big reputation to Wilhelmina two years ago. After a short spell with the Ringwood club he moved to Juventus who have done well under his guidance.

WILHELMINA — Len Young. Former West Ham United first team player for many years, Len came out to Australia as a full time coach to the now defunct, V.A.S.-F.A. He has since had spells with Box Hill, Hellas and Moreland.

S.M. HELLAS — Paddy Sloan. Another new face in '64. Paddy played with Arsenal, had spells in Italy and Malta and won international honors as a player for Ireland.

JUST — Tony Vella. An outstanding player for many years with JUST, George Cross, Polonia and Lions, Tony has represented both Victoria and Australia on many occasions.

MELBOURNE — Ernie Simon. Former Hungarian player who recently took over from Mike de Bruyckere. In a short space of time he has put the side back in a respectable middle of the league position.

HAKOAH — Ron Saweckl. A Polish player who is the State League's longest serving coach—a sure sign of stability in the club. And all this despite their ups and downs over the past few years.

ALEXANDER — Jim Petrides. Getting near the veteran stage as a player, Jim still shows the class that made him an eight-year regular with P.A.O.K. in Greece.

TRIESTINA — Ernie Tribuzio. Three years in Australia, this cultured wing half has done a good job with the league babes considering the limited talent he has available.

LIONS — Mike de Bruyckere. Former Dutch international and Wilhelmina star for many years. Has been around in the past couple of years having had spells with Juventus, Lions, Melbourne and now back to Lions. Secretary of the recently formed Players' Union.

WANDERING COACH

Tagged as the "wandering soccer coach", John Hemmerling who has been around the Melbourne scene for some years is seeking another position since he has parted company with Lions.

Now in the veteran stage, but still a man with color and ideas, Hemmerling holds a unique record in international soccer.

He lost his post with Slavia last year after he had guided that club to its Australian Cup win.

Two spells with Slavia, a short term with Croatia and his stint with Lions have made Hemmerling a controversial figure in Melbourne soccer.

Hard and outspoken, he has had plenty of experience, both here and abroad, as a first class all-round sportsman.

In his native country, Poland, he represented them at both soccer and ice hockey and he had a spell in Yugoslavia with a first division club.

He holds a Polish coaching diploma and also an international certificate in coaching.

Although it appears that the State League could now be a "closed shop" for Hemmerling, his experience and ability cannot go unnoticed by first division clubs. He can be contacted at 58-4186.

—Bob Low

Aust. Cup seedings may turn event into farce

Dust off your old computer or borrow dear old Siliac from the University — we'll tell you about the seeding of Sydney teams for the Australia Cup.

This is the order of seedings:

1. Grand Final winner.
2. Federation Cup winner.
3. Premiership winner.
4. Premiership 2nd (or 3rd) team.

On the face of it nothing could be more simple.

Say APIA wins the Grand Final, Budapest the Federation Cup, South Coast the premiership and Hakoah finishes second on the table.

But what if fourth placed Budapest wins the Grand Final, Bankstown wins the Federation Cup and South Coast wins the premiership?

Well, in that case the team that finished second in the premiership gets fourth seed and the team that finished third misses out on the Australia Cup altogether . . .

The seed could not have been prepared with sufficient thought.

Admittedly, some complications may be unavoidable as at least one team may qualify on two accounts—say Grand Final and premiership wins.

However, the Federation placed far too much importance on the winning of the two finals.

We feel it would have been much more logical to give the first seed to the winner of the premiership—after all, finishing on top after 22 weeks of solid grind is much more of an achievement than winning either a final play-off or the Federation Cup—which, initially, nobody took too seriously anyway.

This could have been the order of seeding:

1. Premiership winner.
2. Grand Final winner.
3. Premiership runner-up.
4. Federation Cup winner.

Normally such seedings would not matter a great deal.

However, in this year's Australia Cup they have been given tremendous importance.

● Rich reward

The first two seeds from Sydney gain automatic admission to the quarterfinal stages of the Australia Cup—that is, the last eight.

A rich reward, indeed, for the team that may fluke a win in the obscure Federation Cup.

The third and fourth Sydney seeds will join 14 other teams from all over Australia in elimination matches for the remaining two quarter-final spots.

So it is quite possible that the team that wins the Sydney premiership gets third seed—and a thorny path—behind the winners of the Grand Final and the Federation Cup.

It's more than likely that one team will win two honors—the Grand Final and premiership or the Grand Final and Federation Cup or the Federation Cup and premiership double.

However, it is also very possible that a team wins the Federation Cup which has missed out on the semifinals in the premiership.

In that case the situation will be slightly more complicated:

● If none of the other honors were "duplicated", then another premiership semifinalist gets a run in the Australia Cup—either the 2nd, 3rd or 4th. (whichever has not won any other honor).

● If the same team wins the Grand Final that also wins the premiership, then the teams that finished 2nd and 3rd will make the Australia Cup—receiving 3rd and 4th seeds.

● If the same team wins ALL THREE honors, all semifinalists are safe: only in that case will the four Sydney teams be seeded in the exact order in which they also finished the premiership.

On the other hand, if . . .

No, we can't go on any further. The rest belongs to the realm of a Danny Kaye monologue . . . —Paul Dean

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He was 'capped' for Aust. after first match here

By LOU GAUTIER

A 27-year-old Welshman set something of a record in Australian sport when he was selected to represent Australia after only three weeks in the country.

He was Hakoah's fullback Trevor Edwards, whom Australian selector-coach Jim Kelly picked for his Australian team against Everton last May after only one competition match.

Kelly's choice was fully justified when Edwards stood out as the only player in the Everton class in the Melbourne "Test" debacle.

For most Sydney fans, who watched the match on television, it was the first time they had seen Edwards in action.

Hakoah's rise from the foot of the competition to a place in the "four" can be largely attributed to Edwards' fine displays in the previously suspect Hakoah defence.

Edwards also often "peps" up the Hakoah attack with forays down the field, "feeding" the ball to his forwards and creating many openings for goals.

He backs up with tremendous speed and you hardly have time to see him back up from the right wing to fullback, just in time to turn defence into attack once again.

Trevor Edwards is living proof of the saying that in every defender there is a forward trying to get out.

He has played with considerable success as a winger and centre-forward in his 12-year-old career.

● Charlton boy

Trevor Edwards was born at Rhondda, the famous Welsh mining centre, in 1937.

At the age of 15 he joined the then first division Charlton Athletic of London as an apprentice.

He was on the club's ground staff until 1954 when he signed a professional contract and made his debut at wing-half.

Edwards played nine years with Charlton, alternating as winghalf and fullback.

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His first international cap came when he was chosen captain of the Welsh Under-23 side against England.

He also captained the Welsh side against Scotland and Northern Ireland.

In 1956/57 he was selected in the full Welsh team alongside players like Charles, Allchurch and Medwin — and Ron Hewitt and Des Palmer, both of whom also play in Sydney today.

Edwards played for Wales against Northern Ireland, Germany and England.

His greatest thrill was the 1958 World Cup in Sweden where he was in the Welsh squad although he never played in any game.

Whilst with Charlton Athletic, Edwards played friendly matches all over the Continent.

He visited Italy, with a London representative team, Switzerland, France, Czechoslovakia, Holland and Denmark.

In 1959 he transferred from Charlton to Cardiff City, standard-bearer of Welsh soccer.

● High scorer

Edwards played mainly as centre-forward or winger for the Welsh club and last season was the club's second highest scorer with 16 goals.

Towards the end of the last British season Edwards decided to migrate to Australia and was given a free transfer by Cardiff City under the condition that he could only play in Australia, nowhere else.

He contacted a few Australian clubs and finally settled on Hakoah.

Trevor, his wife and children Mark, 7, Debby 5 and Rees 3, arrived in Australia in mid-April and are very enthusiastic about the country and don't regret their decision to migrate.

"Hakoah have treated me exceptionally well", Edwards said yesterday.

"I could not have picked a better club as I have been looked after to perfection since my arrival".

Edwards, however, is not so enthusiastic about the standard of Australian soccer.

He feels that coaching is sadly lacking and could be improved upon.

His ambition is to become a coach when he retires and would like to look after a squad of 18 young players he would "nurse" to maturity until they became stars in their own right.

The Welsh star has a lot of time for South Coast United.

"They are the only side I've seen in Australia with real team-work and no prima donnas.

"South Coast play like a good third division English club side and are the only NSW team with the pace to play in British football", Edwards said.

"Mind you", he said, "there are many top class individuals in Australia, but how can they shine when they are only part-time players who train three nights a week?"

Edwards feels that only full-time professionalism can improve Australia's soccer standards.

Old hat but may prove useful...

Study the past — you will know the future, somebody of note once said, quite possibly not about soccer.

Still, a brief glance at the doings of teams in past months may give pointers to their chances this week.

● South Coast have won six of their Sydney games, lost only two and drew one.

● Cumberland have also lost ony twice at home, both by the odd goal.

● Pan Hellenic have yet to drop all four points to any of their opponents — won all four from two (Bankstown, Corinthians).

● Prague's "away" record is dead even — an average of one point a match.

● Yugal have suffered both their crushing 0-6 defeats at "home".

● Hakoah have a poor "away" record; they managed to win only one match each in April, May and June — but not July.

● APIA's last defeat was on July 5 (Yugal), Budapest's on June 21 (South Coast).

● Corinthians have not won a match at "home" this season, all they managed has been a measly draw.

● Bankstown boast of a good "away" record: eight of their 12 points came from excursions.

● Croatia's only big win this year was against Canterbury — 6-1.

● Canterbury seem to fare a trifle better at home at Arlington; they won once, drew once and lost by the odd goal twice.

First round results of this weekend's matches:

☆ Canterbury v. Croatia 1-6.
☆ Bankstown v. Corinthians 1-2.
☆ Prague v. Pan Hellenic 2-1.
☆ Hakoah v. Yugal 3-1.
☆ Budapest v. APIA 2-1.
☆ South Coast v. Cumberland 3-1.

PRAGUE, POLONIA COST POINTS TO FORECASTERS

Four weeks to go and it is anybody's competition in Sydney and Melbourne.

SOCCER WORLD's tipping competition is also wide open with many of our hundreds of entrants still with an excellent chance of winning any of the top prizes.

Budapest's dramatic recovery and climb to the top have improved the chances of dozens of contestants.

The last three placings on the Sydney competition table were forecast by most fans but Prague's indifferent form will cause a few heartbreaks — 40 per cent of the entries having tipped Prague first.

If Prague are bound to cause the downfall of many Sydney fans, this is nothing compared with the plight of our Victorian readers who overwhelmingly favored a Polonia win in the State League.

The current leaders, Juventus, were hardly ever tipped for first place.

Here is the full list of prizes for the lucky entrants:

First prize — An Anthony Squires sports jacket from W.C. Eldridge Pty. Ltd., 433 George Street, Sydney.
Second prize — Three shirts by well-known makers Metro.
Third prize — 24 bottles of assorted Mora Wines from E. Guido & Co. Pty. Ltd., 30 Ultimo Road, Sydney.
Fourth prize — A cardigan in any size or color to be selected at Carvin Tailors, 183 Liverpool Street, Sydney.
Fifth prize — A dinner for two at the Adria Restaurant, 8 Kings Cross Road, Kings Cross. Tel.: 31-5328.
Sixth prize — A 4-lb box of Red Tulip Chocolates from Exquisite Chocolate Products Pty. Ltd., 177-179 Salisbury Rd., Camperdown.
Seventh prize — A tracksuit from Larco Pty. Ltd., 332 Darling Street, Balmain.
Eighth prize — A £5 order for Continental groceries and wines from M. Fiorelli Pty. Ltd., 106 Commonwealth Street, Sydney.
Ninth prize — A pair of Cortina shoes from the Star Shoe Company Pty. Ltd., 27 Macauley Street, Alexandria.
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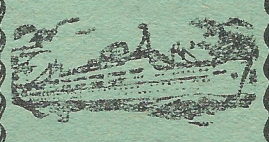

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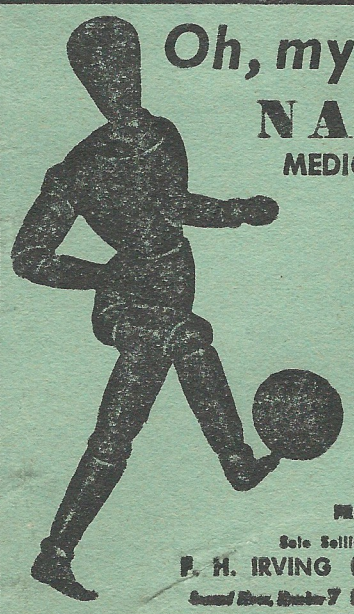

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